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Chapter 19.5. Public Safety Improvement Areas

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Applicability of chapter

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to consolidated and second class cities.
As added by P.L.21-1994, SEC.3.

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"Institute" defined

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "institute" means the Indiana criminal justice institute established under IC 5-2-6-3.
As added by P.L.21-1994, SEC.3.

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Designation of public safety improvement areas

Sec. 3. (a) A legislative body may apply to the institute to have an area of a city governed by the legislative body designated as a public safety improvement area. The application must include a plan for improving public safety within the area.

(b) The institute may not designate an area as a public safety improvement area unless the area:

- (1) has a high crime rate;
- (2) has boundaries that are expressly designated by the legislative body; and
- (3) comprises not more than twenty percent (20%) of the city's geographical territory.

As added by P.L.21-1994, SEC.3.

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Adoption of rules

Sec. 4. The institute shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to carry out this chapter. The rules must include the following:

- (1) A definition of a public safety improvement area.
- (2) A description of what constitutes a high crime rate.
- (3) Guidelines for the application and approval process for designating an area as a public safety improvement area.
- (4) A method for:
 - (A) publishing a description of each public safety area approved by the institute; and
 - (B) informing the residents of a city whenever the institute designates an area of the city as a public safety improvement area.
- (5) A procedure for the institute to give priority to public safety improvement areas when the institute is involved in:
 - (A) awarding; or
 - (B) administering the award of;grants that public safety improvement areas are eligible to receive.

As added by P.L.21-1994, SEC.3.

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Duration and renewal of designation

Sec. 5. (a) The institute may approve an area as a public safety improvement area under this chapter for five (5) years.

(b) A legislative body may reapply to have an area designated as a public safety improvement area under the application and approval process described in this chapter.

As added by P.L.21-1994, SEC.3.